

REMARKS

Claims 1-7 remain in this application.

Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly requested.

Should there be any matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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**APPENDIX:**

The Appendix includes the following item(s):

- ☒ - a new or amended Abstract of the Disclosure

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Driving belt provided with an enclosed tension element and metal transverse elements accommodated so as to be movable in a longitudinal direction along the tension element. The transverse elements each comprise a body part, a head part and a neck part therebetween. On either side of the neck part between the body part and the head part two axially oriented openings are present, for accommodating in each a part of the tension element. The body part includes side contact surfaces oriented substantially in an axial direction and diverging from each other in the radial direction, and with a substantially axially oriented tilting line and in which an upper limit of an opening formed by the head part extends in the axial direction at least to an imaginary line, which extends from the radially lower limit to the radially upper limit of the respective opening in line with a contact surface.